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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Paul R. Coronado et al.

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For : Method of Oil Spill Recovery Using  
Hydrophobic Sol-Gels and Aerogels

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT  
APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Commissioner for Patents  
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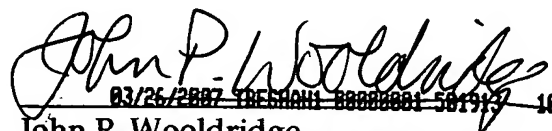
Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences  
from the decision of the examiner, dated September 20, 2006, rejecting claims: 1-3 and 5.

The applicant is a small entity. Therefore the fee for this Notice is (37 CFR  
1.17(b)) \$250. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be  
required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501913. I have enclosed a  
duplicate copy of this sheet.

If any impediments remain, please contact the undersigned at 808-875-0012.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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